

PASTORS IN POLITICS.

They All Think They Ought to Be There

JUST AS MUCH AS THE PEWS.

Ministers of the City Discuss the Question at Their Weekly Meeting.

There was a large attendance of city pastors at the meeting of the Ministerial union yesterday in the Y. M. C. A. parlors.

The attraction was the announcement that Rev. R. Wake would read a paper on "The Minister in Politics."

Mr. Wake said in part: "There are four varieties of opinions about the relation of church and community as to the relation of a minister properly sustains to current political affairs."

"There is an opinion which still lingers as a relic of a bygone period which insists that the calling of a preacher is so entirely sacred, and his duties so purely spiritual that he ought to feel no interest in matters so thoroughly secular as the politics of the day. His sole work in the world is to prepare men for another and future state of being and he therefore cannot but sell his cloth when he meddles in politics."

"An idea a little more liberal is that the preacher has the right to exercise the elective franchise, and quietly deposit a vote for the party he prefers but this he must do as a private citizen and in no way allow his political preferences to become a matter of public discussion. To become a speaker on the stump in a political canvass is entirely out of keeping with his calling and he cannot but injure his influence with his people."

"The minister may not only vote, but he has all the rights of a member of any profession to advocate his political views on the stump or elsewhere, provided he keeps the discussion of political matters out of the pulpit. The sacred desk must be kept solely for the treatment of sacred themes. Men when they go to church desire and need spiritual refreshment only and should have their minds led away to the contemplation of things that have to do with religious experience and future destiny. To discuss politics in the pulpit is a profanation of the holy place and a sacrilege."

"A few hold that the preacher has a duty to perform in relation to political concerns; that it is his province to instruct his people in all that pertains to human duty, and as there are grave duties involved in citizenship, therefore the pulpit ought to deal with political questions that the people may be made to meet their governmental responsibilities in the fear of God and under the control of the highest motives."

In discussing the subject Mr. Wake said: "The preacher who in his ministrations confines himself to theology and to such themes as bear solely upon eternity, has not half learned his duty to his people. We are met with the objection that to preach politics is to offend the pews, and to interfere with a man's usefulness in the pulpit. It is even affirmed that the preacher is the servant of the church, and is therefore amenable to the pews for the doctrines he proclaims."

"This idea so far prevails that a church some time ago advertised for a minister who should be a Republican. If a church be merely a club, and if the minister is called by the pews instead of by God to the work of the ministry, he ought to do the bidding of the people; but if he is called of God into the sacred work, then the pews have no right to dictate what he shall or shall not teach."

"To shut the preacher out of the political arena is to give politics over to Satan."

Rev. Mr. Wake's paper was discussed by almost all of the ministers present.

Rev. L. Blakesley said he endorsed almost all that the paper contained and that preachers should preach politics but not partisanship. He did not agree with Mr. Wake that preachers were shut out of the political arena, he made would be entirely in the hands of Satan.

He said there were many good people outside of the ministry in politics.

J. W. Dill said: "I say amen to the whole paper."

Rev. M. F. McKirahan said: "If the 2,000 pulpits of Kansas have taken up the question of prohibition last spring when the political conventions dodged it, things might have been different, but I fail to see how we would have been any better off if the present administration had been retained in power with all its evils, its joints and saloons. I can't see how we would have been any better off."

Rev. B. L. Smith—"I believe we should be mainly men. I believe in the doctrine of the paper, but I am a little afraid of its interpretation. The man who is afraid to speak out on the moral questions has no business in the pulpit."

Rev. Stewart Sheldon—"When the leading politicians say, as they have been saying lately, that there is no such thing as mixing religion and politics then it is about time for us preachers to be taking a hand in the matter, and speak out on this subject."

Rev. J. B. Thomas—"I endorse the whole paper, and I believe that never was a time when we had as many many men in the pulpit as today. We have no right under any circumstances to talk partisanship in the pulpit, but talk principle from the pulpit, and when out of the pulpit talk as loud as you can for party."

Rev. J. C. C. Owens—"I endorse the whole paper. Don't turn politics over to the pews for the devil is in the pew for the Lord found him there."

Rev. C. Minor—"When everybody is a Christian we will have no saloons. The preacher should preach to the people converted. I have little fear of a man who is really a Christian, but somehow I have noticed that when a man is born again and becomes a new creature, that somehow there is seldom any change made in his politics. A man's politics is kind of born in him."

Rev. T. J. Ream said: "It is impossible to be strictly partisan and preach principle. The trouble is that we preachers don't weigh quite enough, and it seems that in Kansas we don't weigh quite as much as the German league, all because, somehow, our mouths have been closed."

WOULD SEATON BE SPEAKER?

A motion assigned for his request that Representatives remain Unpledged.

"I have now received replies from a majority of the members of the next lower house of the legislature who fall in with the views expressed in my letter and agree to pledge themselves to no one," said John Seaton, representative.

elect from Atchison, to a JOURNAL reporter today.

"I did not expect replies and I am surprised that the members have taken up so readily with my plan to come here unpledged. They may have decided for whom they will vote, but still without a binding promise so that if complications arise they will be under obligations to no one."

"Was your letter intended to apply to the elections of state printer and United States senator?" asked the reporter.

"No, I only intended that it should apply to the organization of the house, but if they want to take it as applying to the state printer and United States senator, I would not object. I think it would be an excellent thing, and I am not in favor of the members pledging themselves to any one whatever."

"Will you write another letter covering the state printer and senatorship contests?"

"No, I will write no more letters."

There are some politicians who think that Mr. Seaton is doing all he can to induce the members to come to the legislature unpledged, in the hope that a movement will secure his election as speaker. He denies this and says that he is not a candidate of speaker in any sense, but he is in favor of Alexander Warner of Cherokee county.

CY CORNING'S HOROSCOPE.

It Tells All About His Political Life and Side Him Hope.

If there is anything in spiritualism and its predictions, Cyrus Corning may yet enjoy a job political at the hands of the people of Kansas.

In the readings of events and character given by Prof. Gray, the spiritualist, at Lincoln Post hall, Mr. Corning was presented and listened to some very wonderful and very startling things about his life of the past twenty-five years. It is claimed that Mr. Gray and Mr. Corning are entire strangers to each other, but that the professor told the audience very minutely all the points of interest and otherwise in Mr. Corning's life. He told of business failures that Cyrus knew of and of political failures that a good many other people know about.

He said also that Mr. Corning had until late years stuck to principle and to party and never thrived on it, but that he had since learned wisdom and was letting party and principle look out for themselves, while he did a little hustling on his own account. This was all right, and Mr. Corning was compelled to admit it or sacrifice his reputation for veracity.

The horoscope swung further and said that Mr. Corning was about to be rewarded and that he might look for something beneficial to himself as the result of the coming change in administration in Kansas. It is further predicted that the good fortune will fall before January 10, but the horoscope exhibited an exasperating degree of discretion in regard to the nature of it.

Miss Kedzie, instructor in the cooking school of the Kansas State Agricultural College, writes: "Dr. Fiebig's Baking Powder is my preference of all the powders in the market. My fifty-seven girls who come to my laboratory every day for class work enjoy it."

RATES RESTORED.

The Passenger Rate to Chicago and St. Louis Restored December 12.

Since the death of the Western Passenger association, the western railroads have been worrying along the best they could alone, but it has not had the effect of causing a panic of any kind in the rates, and instead of a panic there will be a raise on December 12th, of \$1.50 in the St. Louis rate and of \$3 in the Chicago rate.

The present rate established by the association to St. Louis is \$8, but on the 12th, it will be restored to \$9.50. The Chicago rate as the association left it is \$11, but it will be restored to the tariff, \$14, on the 12th.

These rates are from Topeka.

E. Wilder's Generosity.

The formal opening of the high school made such a favorable impression on Mr. Edward Wilder, that he decided to do something for the high school. He remembered that there are more works of art in the public library than the building needs, and he obtained consent of the library association to hang twenty-two of the pictures in the high school building. A vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Wilder by the board last night. The pictures have not yet been delivered.

CHANCEL CHAPTER ENTERTAINMENT.

Programme:

Of the musicals to be given at Library hall Tuesday evening, Dec. 4th, by the Chancel chapter of Grace cathedral, Topeka.

PART I.

1. Piano solo—Momen's Musicals, a minor..... Schubert

2. Song—"Past and Future,"..... De Koven

3. Tableau—The trial of a bud running the gauntlet among her rivals..... Liszt

4. Song—"The Lovely,"..... Miss Kellogg

PART II.

1. Piano solo—"Valse de Concert,"..... Wieniawski

2. Song—"When Ripples Flow,"..... De Koven

3. Tableau—That delicious moment when you are asked to take to dinner the girl who rejected you the night before..... Sarasate

4. Violin solo—"Nocturne de Chopin,"..... Mr. Shirer

5. Song—"The Worker,"..... Gounod

Concert.

The Slayton Jubilee Singers will give one of their superior concerts at Washburn chapel December 7.

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Hear Slayton's Jubilee Singers Friday night at Washburn chapel.

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Peerless Steam Laundry—Peerless Steam Laundry.

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54-inch Fine Twill Back Broadcloth, in black and colors, reduced from \$1.37 1/2 to 98c.

88 Cents.

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75 Cents.

54-inch Original English Covert Cloth, good value at \$1.00; this week only 75c.

88 Cents.

54-inch Storm Serge, in black and blue, would be a bargain at \$1.00; this week only 88 cents.

Just received 500 yards "Windermere" Suiting, 9-8 wide, will be sold at popular prices.

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Commencing December 3 we will close out all our remnants and short ends of Silks and Wool Goods at a greater discount than ever before.

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JUDGES AND PASSES.

Chief Justice Horton Says an Anti-Pass Law

SHOULD BE ENACTED AT ONCE

But It Must Be General in Its Character—Members of the Legislature Not Paid Enough.

Chief Justice Albert H. Horton of the Kansas supreme court, says he sees no excuse for the railroads issuing free passes to any public official.

In speaking of this matter to a STATE JOURNAL reporter, Judge Horton said: "When I was a member of the legislature I introduced an anti-pass bill which I then believed should have become a law, although the use of passes had not become as general as now. I still believe my idea was the correct one."

"An anti-pass bill to become effective should be general and should prohibit the use of passes not only by the judiciary, but by every public official. I fail to see why the governor or attorney general should be given passes any more than a judge, and my bill prohibited any public officer, of either state, county or city accepting or using a railroad pass, and provided that the violation of the provisions of the bill should be considered a misdemeanor and punishable by a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500."

When asked what he thought the legislature would do about an anti-pass bill, Judge Horton said: "It is hardly to be expected that the members of the legislature will pass a law which will cut off their own railroad passes, which a general pass law would do, and for that reason only I believe it is hardly likely that an anti-pass law will be enacted."

"About the only compensation a member of the legislature now gets is his railroad passes and it can hardly be expected that the members will cut off their own income as long as their salaries are so small. For my part, I have for years thought we should pay our members of the legislature more, as what they now receive barely pays their board during the session. My opinion is that each member of the legislature should be paid a salary of \$500 a year."

"An anti-pass law would be a whole-some thing if it should be made general in character."

Slayton's Jubilee Singers have a "Black Patti" and a "Brown Patti" December 7 at Washburn chapel.

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Slayton's Jubilee Singers Are the equal of any concert company traveling. Hear them Dec. 7 at Washburn chapel.

Nine superior artists compose the Slayton Jubilee Singers. Washburn chapel December 7.

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THE \$8,000 IS SPARED.

Judge Hazen's Injunction Checking the Raid of the Health Board.

The lawyers of Topeka give Judge Hazen credit for one of the best decisions ever rendered in a Topeka court, in the one which he handed down late yesterday afternoon granting the injunction which prevents Dr. Dykes from grabbing the \$8,000 left in the appropriation to repel the threatened invasion of cholera in Kansas.

The decision removes the last hope Dr. Dykes had of getting \$8,000 for his heroic services in rescuing Kansas from the malignant epidemic, and his only reward will be in the hearts of the thousands of Kansans whom he saved from death by cholera.

Judge Hazen's decision was quite lengthy, amounting to fifteen type-written sheets, and covered every phase of the controversy. It was a scholarly decision.

Lawyer J. G. Waters whose victory it was, said: "That was the best decision I ever heard in a Topeka court." The verdict was a victory not only for Mr. Waters but State Treasurer Biddle, Dr. H. W. Roby, Governor Lewelling and good government.

The decision was delayed from 9 o'clock in the morning until after 4 o'clock by the failure of F. B. Dawes and Frank Foster, who were Dr. Dykes' counsel, to arrive. When the case was decided they offered a formal demurrer to the petition and the evidence and asked that the permanent injunction be tried at this term of court. This will probably not be done, however. Messrs. Dawes and Foster threaten to appeal the case to the supreme court, but Mr. Waters considers that a bluff.

Judge Hazen's decision reviewed all the evidence in the case carefully, and continued:

"It is elementary that where the state has made an appropriation for a specific purpose, it can be used only for the purpose for which it was made; and where the legislature has made an appropriation to be used upon the existence of a certain condition, then and in that case the condition must exist before the money can be used. This case then turns upon the question as to whether the condition specified by the legislature existed, namely, was the state threatened with a cholera invasion?"

"In the determination of this question it is necessary to ascertain what the legislature meant by 'threatened invasion.' The board appears to think it meant the possibility of cholera being brought to Kansas from foreign countries, but in this I do not agree. It was certainly not the purpose or the intention of the legislature that this fund should be used unless the state of Kansas was in fact threatened with invasion; and it is equally certain that the idea of the legislature was that as long as cholera was kept out of the United States, Kansas could not well be threatened by an invasion. By 'threatened invasion' the legislature meant imminent or immediate danger."

"It has been proven that there are many foreign countries which are never entirely free from cholera, but that the disease prevails there to some extent at all times, and has for many years, the only difference being in the number and fatality of the cases. It is fully conceded that the quarantine regulations of the United States are as nearly perfect

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" 22	" " " "	20c

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